

## STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES BUREAU FOR MEDICAL SERVICES



Office of Pharmacy Service Prior Authorization Criteria

Cosentyx® (Secukinumab)

Prior Authorization Request Form

Cosentyx<sup>®</sup> (Secukinumab) is a human IgG1 monoclonal antibody that selectively binds to the interleukin 17-A cytokine and inhibits its interaction with the IL-17 receptor. Cosentyx<sup>®</sup> is indicated for the treatment of moderate to severe plaque psoriasis in adult patients who are candidates for systemic therapy or phototherapy.

## Prior authorization requests for Cosentyx<sup>®</sup> will be approved if the following criteria are met:

- 1) Must be prescribed by a specialist (i.e a dermatologist); AND
- 2) Patient must be eighteen (18) years of age or older and diagnosed with moderate to severe plaque psoriasis; **AND**
- Patient must have documented failure, intolerance or contraindications to NSAIDs;
   AND
- 4) Patient must have failed a sixty (60) day trial of a non-biological disease modifying anti-rheumatic drug (DMARD) such as methotrexate, sulfasalazine, leflunomide, or cyclosporine; **AND**
- 5) Patient must have failed ninety (90) day trials of at least one (1) preferred biological DMARDs.

## References

- 1) Cosentyx package insert 1/2015
- 2) Lexi-Comp Clinical Application 9/2/2015